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"Developing a comprehensive and compassionate response"

Speaker Biography

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Lisa LaDue is President and Executive Director of Pi Trauma Services Group, Ltd., specializing in the prevention and treatment of traumatic stress. In 2000, she co-founded and directed the National Mass Fatalities Institute at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa where she currently serves as Senior Advisor, guiding the curriculum and Delivery of Mass Fatality Response planning courses until May 2007. She lectures internationally on topics related to trauma, terrorism, mass fatalities and disaster planning, provides disaster-related consultation and training for communities across the United States and has contributed to multiple published documents and online courses related to trauma. Lisa is currently providing consultation and training for pandemic influenza planning efforts for public health and mental health departments, with a particular focus on mass fatalities and behavioral health issues.

Lisa has extensive experience in providing mental health services for responders and victims in the aftermath of catastrophic disasters including the attacks on the Pentagon and the World Trade Center in 2001, the Indian Ocean Tsunami (Thailand and India) in 2005, and Hurricane Katrina in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and New Orleans, Louisiana.